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## DISTRESSING DEATH.

**Mrs. Eliza Willis, a Former Resident of Columbia, Meets a Horrible Death at Cave City.**

### FUNERAL AND INTERMENT AT COLUMBIA

The people of Cave City were horrified last Saturday afternoon when the news spread over the city that Mrs. Eliza Willis had been burned to death at her home in that place.

The deceased had been in poor health for some time, but when the accident occurred she was sitting in front of the grate in her room, eating dinner, the rest of the family being in the dining room. Suddenly there was a scream and by the time the inmates of the home reached her she was burned to a crisp, living only a very few minutes after being placed upon her bed.

The deceased was the widow of E. C. Willis, and a number of the years of her life were spent in Columbia, her husband being a merchant, doing business on the corner now occupied by the Jeffries Hardware store.

She was a daughter of W. J. and Angeline Rice, and was born in Adair county, and at the time of her death she was sixty-three years, nine months and six days old.

When quite a young woman she embraced the religion of her Savior united with the Christian Church, and lived consistently until the final dissolution.

The remains reached Columbia Monday morning about 3 o'clock, and up to 2 o'clock in the afternoon many friends called at the hotel to take the last view of a departed friend.

The deceased is survived by two sons, Mr. E. T. Willis and Mr. M. O. Willis, both of whom came with the remains to this place.

At 2 o'clock the funeral was preached by Eld. J. Q. Montgomery, at the Christian Church, the building being full of sympathizing relatives and friends.

There were many beautiful floral offerings.

### Murrell-Bell.

The wedding of Miss Annie Murrell to Mr. Marvin Bell, of Gradyville, was quietly solemnized at the home of the bride, Wednesday, December 6, 1916, by Bro. Lee.

The following were present, besides a host of relatives: Minnie Ingram, Dollie Bryant, Verna Bryant, Willard Neat, Amelia Dameron, Mary Harris, Elizabeth Harris, Sallie Hudson, Essie Phelps; Messrs. Fred Harris and Philetus Dunbar.

After the wedding a bountiful dinner was served. They received many nice and useful presents.

May they have a long and happy life is the wish of the writers.  
M. and W.

### Public Sale.

Persons who want bargains should attend the sale of H. A. Murrell, near Craycraft, Thursday, December 21st. Four good mares, milch cows, heifers, one and two years old. A farm wagon, a surrey, good as new, one buggy, buckboards, farming implements, a lot of corn, fodder, and many other articles, including a Kingsbury piano, used only one year, and cost \$350. Terms of sale will be announced on day of sale.  
7-3t.

Bill Frazier was before Judge Heriford last Thursday charged with bringing whiskey into local option territory for the purpose of selling the same. Bill was caught by Clyde Gresham and Frank Winfrey, deputy sheriffs, en route from Lebanon with about six gallons in quart and pint bottles, in a suit case and in a basket. The jury fined him \$75 and gave him 25 days in jail.

Mr. W. T. Dohoney carried his little daughter to Louisville last week and had her adenoids removed. Before the operation the surgeon found a small rubber button in the child's nose, which evidently brought on the trouble. Mr. Albert Johnson went at the same time and was operated on for appendicitis. Both parties are doing well. Dr. W. J. Flowers accompanied the parties to Louisville.

Mr. S. H. Mitchell returned from Frankfort Saturday night, bringing his quietus. He was the nineteenth sheriff to make a complete settlement for the year 1916.

In buying for children purchase articles that will not break at first knock. Children are rough with toys.

## Eastern Stars Entertain.

There was a very happy gathering in the Masonic Hall last Thursday evening, the occasion being a social given by the members of Columbia Eastern Star Chapter. Invitations were extended to a number of friends, and by 9 o'clock the hall was well filled and the program started.

Mr. W. A. Coffey delivered the opening address which was well received. He paid a high compliment to the ladies who are engaged in this branch of Masonry. He was followed by Miss Katie Murrell, who gave a reading in her usual attractive manner. The solo rendered by Mrs. Rollin Hurt was one of the enjoyable numbers of the occasion. The next speaker was former Grand Master of the Masonic Fraternity of Kentucky, Jas. Garnett, who delivered many encouraging words to the ladies, and praised them for the great work in which they are engaged. He was followed by Miss Sallie E. Murphy, who read a selection beautifully which was highly appreciated.

Mrs. Geo. E. Wilson, who is the Worthy Matron, then read from reports the progress of the order in Kentucky and elsewhere.

The refreshments were delightful, and it goes without saying all in attendance spent a most happy meeting.

### Notice.

As I have been requested by so many of my customers to keep a blacksmith at my shop, I have secured as good a smith as can be hired. So folks who want horseshoeing, wagon and buggy work done first-class and promptly, call at

J. M. Kearnes, Machine Shop.  
7-3t

### At the Parsons'.

A very pretty wedding occurred at the home of Eld. Z. T. Williams, last Thursday afternoon, the contracting parties being Mr. Prather Morrison, son of Mr. Geo. Morrison, and Miss Jessie Dudley, daughter of Mr. Jack Dudley. The happy pair were accompanied by several couples, in buggies. After the ceremony, which was beautifully pronounced by Eld. Williams, the entire party left for the home of the groom's father, where a reception was held.

The Board of Supervisors for the town of Columbia completed its work last week. There were many raises, and a number of property holders will learn that they are worth several thousand dollars each more than they were when they gave their list to the assessor. The board was composed of J. N. Coffey, J. P. Dohoney, Sr., and N. M. Tutt, all men who know the value of property.

### Christmas Novelties.

**We are showing an extensive line of X-mas Goods, and invite you to come and make your selections while stock is large. Nice articles for Presents.**  
6-2t Russell & Co.

Mr. John Q. Alexander was here Thursday, enroute to Campbellville. While conversing with him he stated that he had broken up housekeeping and for the present he would make his home in Louisville, and would live with his married son. He will continue to represent Carter Bros. & Co. in this territory, and while out on the road his headquarters will be Campbellville—The New Merchant Hotel.

Rev. E. G. Stover, who has been the pastor of the U. B. Church here for several months, has resigned, to take work either in Ohio or Louisiana. He will be succeeded here by another minister.

Bennett, Gresham & Smith started from this place, last Friday, with two hundred head of hogs, seventy head of cattle and sixty head of sheep, for the Louisville market.

The young people are expecting big times during the holidays. From what we can learn there will be a number of lady visitors and some kind of gathering every night.

Mr. Jas. F. Hill, who was born and reared in Cumberland county, died at Stanford last week. He was 76 years old and had been a railway mail clerk for a number of years.

The breach between Mr. Ballard and the City Council is unfortunate for the town, but we are told that the city will not be without street lights but a short time.

"Little Girl Next Door" drew two good audiences to Nell's Theatre last Tuesday night.

## Road Meeting at Bowling Green.

On January 17th to 20th, inclusive, there will be held at Bowling Green, Ky., the County Road Engineers' Convention. It is the first time that such a meeting has ever been held in Western Kentucky and all county officials and the State Department are endeavoring to make the meeting the largest of its kind ever held in Kentucky.

At all previous meetings of this character, the theory of road building has been mostly discussed, but, after two years work under the state aid plan, road men throughout the state now have practical problems to discuss and the program has been arranged with that end in view.

It has been recommended by the State Office that every County Judge bring his entire court to the meeting and that the county pay the expenses incurred by such a trip. It is a known fact that travel broadens a man, and it is believed by all concerned that it will be a great help to the various counties throughout the State to attend such a meeting where they can learn what other counties are doing and will have an opportunity to inspect the excellent roads in Warren and adjacent counties, as well as the Kentucky Rock Asphalt fields about which so much has been written in recent days.

Other States in the union have several road meetings a year and they are attended by between two and three thousand people and in no state in the union are people more alive to the road movement than in Kentucky, and there is no reason why the meeting at Bowling Green should not be attended by at least three thousand people. Efforts are now being made to induce the railroads throughout the State to give reduced rates and it is believed that such will be done.

The meeting is held at a time of the year when no road work is being done and no working time will be lost by those interested in road building, and it is earnestly hoped that all county officials, all contractors and all citizens interested in road building will make a special effort to attend the meeting.

### Wanted.

Man past 30 with horse and buggy to sell Stock Condition Powder in Adair County. Salary \$70 per month. Address, 9 Industrial Bldg., Indianapolis, Ind.  
7-1t.

### Great Revival.

The most successful revival ever held in Pineville, says The Three States, closed Sunday night the 3rd inst. The pastor was assisted by Rev. J. B. DeGarmo, who recently assisted pastor Bush in a meeting here. The interest in attendance increased from the start and finally hundreds had to be turned from the doors. During its progress seventy-one made professions of faith, forty-three asked for baptism, eighteen united by letter, total addition to the membership sixty-one. On the last night of the meeting \$13,150 was subscribed for a new church building. Others who could not get in the building will bring the amount to \$15,000.

You can exchange your Prest-o-light tank at Rapid Transit Company's office, and save money. The Company also has a light delivery truck for sale. Will sell cheap if sold at once.  
7-3t Columbia, Ky.

Announcements for office sent in without the fee of \$5.00, will not be published. We have made a rule and propose to follow it. A man who is able to make a race can pay the fee as well one time as another. We are not doubting ability to pay later, but we have fixed a rule.

See the basket ball game in the L. W. T. S. gym Friday night at 7:45. Admission 20cts.

Mr. M. T. Redman has left at this office specimens of his Irish potato growing. There are six in number and average 7 inches in length and 6 inches in circumference.

### For Sale.

I have three No 1 brood mares which I will sell. Two in foal by Jack. 5-4t T. L. Upton, Glensfork, Ky.

The price paid for the Goodman residence, in this place, was \$950 instead of \$1,000 as was reported last week.

Only eleven days from the date of this paper until Christmas.

Born, to the wife of, Edwin Hurt, Dec. 9, a son.

## Married in Altus, Oklahoma.

A communication from the above named city informs us that Miss Mary Snow Patterson, formerly of Jamestown, Ky., was married to Mr. Elmer Harris, who is a prominent business man of Altus, last week. The bride is a daughter of the late J. B. Patterson, who was a merchant and hotel keeper at Jamestown for many years. Her mother, Mrs. Belle Patterson, took up her residence in Oklahoma about seven years ago.

The bride is a charming young lady, who has many friends in Kentucky, all of whom will be glad to learn that she has been wedded to a very excellent gentleman, one who is letting the community where he was born and reared, know that he is living in it, being full of business and exceedingly popular with all with whom he comes in contact. He is of that character of man to make a true husband, and as we have known the bride from her infancy, we are satisfied that she will be a helpmate, and a loving wife to the end. May Father Time smile upon this union, the couple prospering day by day as they go through life.

### Will be Absent.

I will be out of my office from the 20th to the 27th of this month.  
Dr. H. W. Depp.

### Turpin--Troutman.

On last Sunday morning, Dec. 10, at 10 o'clock, in the parlor of the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Montgomery, of Ozark, a beautiful home wedding was solemnized, the contracting parties being Mr. Fred Troutman and Miss Edie Turpin, only the immediate family and a few intimate friends being present. Eld. Tobias Huffaker officiated. The groom is one of Adair county's best young men, and is an industrious farmer.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Turpin and is a noble young woman, possessing a lovely disposition and having a host of friends in the community in which she resides. May happiness and prosperity attend them through life is the wish of their many friends.

A Friend.

### Died Near Cane Valley.

Last Sunday night Mrs. Susan Watson, who lived near Cane Valley, crossed to the other side. She was about seventy-three years old and had been a follower of the lowly Nazarene for many years. She was the only sister of Mr. J. P. Beard, this place.

The interment was Monday afternoon, many relatives and friends being present. The deceased was confined to her bed for about six weeks before the end came.

### Officers Elected.

Columbia Camp, No. 12502, M. W. of A., elected the following officers last Monday night for the ensuing year.

Consul, H. A. Hurt.  
Advisor, P. P. Dunbar.  
Banker, G. C. Garrison.  
Clerk, J. C. Strange.  
Escort, W. E. Harris.  
Watchman, O. C. Hamilton.  
Sentry, E. L. Fesse.  
Board of Managers, F. J. Garrison, 3 years; W. H. Shaw, 2 years; H. T. Walker, 1 year.

How many of our school children's parents ever visit the schools or even know the teachers when they meet them on the streets? How many know what their children are studying or how they are progressing? Is their any of you who have a building to erect, or fence to build, a dress to make, a house to paint, or whatever the job may be, that say to the one you have employed: "Here are the tools and materials, go ahead and do it to suit yourself and it will suit me." Is that not what many of you are doing with your children? You say by your actions: "Here is my child with its books, papers and pencil. I've furnished materials and tools, educate him as you like."

The holiday season will soon be here and perhaps the best part of it is the opportunity it gives for home gatherings and the family reunions that in these busy days are all too few. Many a young man finds time to get back to the old hearthstone and sits down in the dear old home circle, who, if the holidays were omitted, would be kept strictly at his tasks. All schools are dismissed, boys and girls are at home, teachers, likewise, are off duty, and, with no care pressing, in thousands of places, parents and children have happy times together for which they may thank the festive season.

## A LIVE ISSUE.

For more than fifteen years the temperance question has overshadowed all other questions of public policy. First, the precinct unit, then the county unit and now State wide. During all of these fights the Democratic party has taken the side of temperance. Fifteen years ago one small Statehouse was sufficient to house all the officers needed to run the State government. We now have a large and commodious capitol, well filled with officers, clerks, stenographers, and porters and we are told that the old Statehouse has been re-opened and refilled. Fifteen years ago the total cost of the State government was in the neighborhood of five million dollars, fifty thousands dollars per year. Now it cost about eight million per annum. The temperance question is being agitated and the people are paying the right. This is the people's government, the majority has the right to rule. It is evident that a large per cent of the people want to amend the constitution so as to prohibit the manufacture and sale of spirituous vinous or malt liquors within the State of Kentucky, or the shipment of such liquors from other States into this State. This Legislative district, composed of Adair and Cumberland counties, is largely Republican. We do not belong to that party and do not assume to advise who it nominates for the Legislature in the coming August primary, but we do suggest to the Democrats that we nominate a good man who favors the submission of the State wide amendment, a man in whom we have confidence, one who can not be controlled by any self constituted political aggregation, which is seeking to advance their own political interest at the expense of the public. If we will nominate such a man and the Republicans fail to nominate a man of equal standing the Democrat can, and will be elected. The time has come when the majority of the people will vote for the man who stands four square on moral questions. It is not material to the people of this Legislative district why the Louisville Times declared for the submission of this question. We see no reason why its sincerity should be questioned. If the paper helps secure that which the people want why shouldn't it have the same credit that is given other publications? We believe in the policy, the standard set up in the 7th verse of the 13th chapter of Romans.

The people of this Legislative district are not interested in the controversy between the Times, Dr. Palmer or between the liquor interest and the Anti Saloon League. The real question is, shall we submit the State wide amendment, so the people can say whether liquors are to be made, sold or shipped into the State, and when the question is settled retrench and reform, abolish the useless offices and cut the expense, so that the tax rate can be reduced.

### Wanted.

Large, fat hogs, net. Market price. 7-1f Moss & Chandler, Lindsey-Wilson School.

Does anyone ever notice the wistful faces of the children peering into the fascinating shop windows at this season, and remember that probably this is their owner's only glimpse of Christmas? That in their whole miserable existence never a penny has been handled by them of their very own? Let the childless one, and the sorrowful one, as well as those who daily take their walks abroad, think of this, and each one in his own way do his best to gladden some life, and by doing so feel by Christmas night that there is some after all worth doing and living for in this old world, and the New Year will be prepared for by ending the old one well.

The Lindsey-Wilson band will make its first public appearance Friday night at the basket ball game.

A word to you sonny, who is smoking cigarettes on the sly. What do you want to be when you grow up—a stalwart, healthy, vigorous, broad-shouldered man, or a little, puny, measly, no 'count, weak-minded dude? If you want to be a man, strong like a man, with hair on your face, brains in your head and muscles in your limbs, you just let those cigarettes alone. If you want to be a thing, pitied by your folks, despised by the girls and held in contempt by the fellows, keep right on smoking and end your days in the insane asylum.

### Notice.

I have two stray calves at my place, one red heifer the other a black steer. Owner can have them by paying for this notice and feed bill.  
5-1f. Norman Christie, Columbia, Ky.

## Personals.

Mr. W. R. Lyon was here a few days ago.

Mr. Jas. Cole, of Bakerton, was here the first of the week.

T. B. and F. B. Phelps have gone to Cumberland Co., on business.

Miss May Stults, who is confined to her bed, improves very slowly.

Capt. Dan Schroer has been laid up with a deep cold for several days.

Mr. H. K. Alexander was here last Friday taking orders from our grocers.

Mr. F. H. Durham spent last week at his old home, Merrimac, Taylor county.

Master Leonard Noe, who has been quite sick with pneumonia, is rapidly improving.

Miss Dollie Bryant spent Wednesday night with Misses Essie and Jewel Phelps.

Mr. Charles Diddle, of Logan county, visited relatives and friends in Columbia last week.

Mr. Ed N. Caldwell, the well-known insurance man, of Glasgow, was here the latter part of last week.

Mrs. E. T. Willis and Mrs. M. O. Willis accompanied their husbands from Cave City to this place.

Mr. W. G. Hesser, Louisville, and Mr. Charles Walls, Lebanon, were here Monday on special business.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Browning and Mr. Browning's two children, Willard and Frances, visited at Lebanon last week.

Former Attorney General Jas. Garnett, was here last week, meeting his numerous friends and taking depositions.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Grider, of Montpelier, left Friday morning for Texas, to spend the winter with their son, Mr. Beard Grider.

Mrs. T. B. Phelps and children, Mrs. Morgan and Mrs. H. J. Mackey and children spent the day Sunday with Mrs. D. E. Phelps.

Mr. Alex Murrell, of Champaign, Ill., is here assisting his father, Mr. Howard Murrell, who is making preparations to remove to that part of Illinois.

Judge T. A. Murrell, General Agent of the Fidelity Mutual Life Insurance Company, his wife and children, Louisville, visited at the home of Dr. J. N. Murrell last week.

Dr. C. M. Russell left for Louisville last Friday morning, in company with Eld. Z. T. Williams, the latter to be examined by a specialist. For some time his blood pressure has been too great.

Rev. Ashby, Hollis Mitchell, Herman Drake, Lewis Jarvis, and Fred Harris, all of the Lindsey-Wilson, left Friday morning for Georgetown where they attended a Y. M. C. A. Convention Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Jennie Garnett left Monday morning to visit her sister, Mrs. J. P. Scruggs, Cape Girardeau, Mo. Later she and Mr. and Mrs. Scruggs and Dr. B. T. Wood and wife, of Danville, will meet and go to Florida for a visit.

Mr. C. B. Rine, who is a prominent lumber dealer, of Russell Springs, was here last Friday. He was in company with his son, Mr. H. C. Rine, who lives at Steubenville, Ohio, and who had been visiting his parents at the Springs.

### A Card.

Alexander E. Helm, who departed this life near Denmark, Russell county, November 22, 1916, was twenty-four years old and a very excellent young man, who is greatly missed. He was perfectly willing to answer the summons, his last words being "God's will be done." During his illness many friends called, administering words of cheer, and to tenderly nurse him. The family want to return thanks for all the kindnesses shown, and send the following card: We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their hand and heart shown during the illness of our son and brother.

Mrs. C. O. Helm,  
Sarah A. Helm,  
Mona C. Helm,  
L. P. Helm and wife,  
P. E. Helm and wife,  
Bascom Helm and wife,  
Beldon Helm and wife,  
T. F. Helm.

Lindsey-Wilson will open their basket ball season Friday night when they play Russell Springs here. The Russell Springs team has a strong line up, composed of the best men they can obtain in that part of the county. The game is called at 7:45 p. m. Admission 20 cts. The school band will furnish music.